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A CAPSULE HISTORY OF THE CAMAS MILL

1883

The LaCamas Colony Company, under the leadership of Henry Pittock, bought 2500 acres of land and began construction of a paper mill to supply newsprint for the Oregonian.

1884

Henry Pittock, J. K. Gill and William Lewthwaite formed the Columbia River Paper Company.

1885

The paper mill produced the first wood pulp manufactured in the Northwest.

1888

The mill is rebuilt to include two paper machines a groundwood mill, a sulfite mill with two digesters, and a sulfur burner. The plant employed 65 people.

1904

No. 4 Paper Machine started up making newsprint.

1906

The bag factory was built and equipped with fourteen machines.

1907

New digesters were added which increased sulfite production from 10 to 38 tons/day. The mill's steam plant was expanded and No. 5 Paper Machine started up.